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## President Shelly To Sign MOU With National Lab

**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.-** Navajo Nation President Ben Shelly is taking a step to strengthen Navajo energy policy and development on the Navajo Nation.

President Shelly is scheduled to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the Navajo Nation and the National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy's Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory.

"We need to take the lead in developing energy on the Navajo Nation. This MOU is a step toward the Navajo Nation taking control of our energy," President Shelly said.

The MOU would enhance the ability of the laboratory to provide long-term technical assistance to the Navajo Nation and support tribal needs in energy development and resource management.

"We want to develop our natural resources and this partnership will bring much needed development of policies related to energy development," President Shelly said.

Lawrence Livermore, Los Alamos and Sandia national laboratories are the three National Nuclear Security Administration laboratories that are beginning to lay the plan to work with tribes to support the Nation through long-term technical assistance.

The signing ceremony is slated to start 8:30 a.m. on Feb. 1 at the Navajo Nation Museum, Highway 264 and Loop Road in Window Rock, Ariz.

This event is open to the public.

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